

# Uniqueness of invariant means on certain introverted spaces

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Let  $S$  be a topological semigroup with separately continuous multiplication and  $H$  a uniformly closed invariant subspace of  $LUC(S)$  (the space of left uniformly continuous bounded functions on  $S$ ) that contains the constants. It is shown that if  $H$  is left introverted and  $H$  admits a tight two-sided invariant mean  $m$ , then for each  $h \in H$ ,  $m(h)$  is the unique constant function in the norm closed convex hull of the left orbit of  $h$ ; consequently,  $H$  has a unique left invariant mean. (In fact, it is enough for  $H$  to admit a tight right invariant mean and a left invariant mean.) For certain  $S$ , a similar result is obtained when  $H$  is a left compact-open introverted subspace of  $LCC(S)$  (the space of left compact-open continuous functions on  $S$ ).

## Introduction

The following theorem, which is a generalization of the uniqueness of Haar measure on a compact topological group, is apparently well-known (see for example, [3, p. 10] for the case when  $S$  has an identity and  $H = W(S)$ ).

**THEOREM.** *Let  $S$  be a topological semigroup with separately continuous multiplication and  $H$  a uniformly closed invariant subspace of  $W(S)$  (the space of weakly almost periodic functions on  $S$ ). If  $H$  admits a two-sided invariant mean  $m$ , then for each  $h \in H$ ,  $m(h)$  is the*

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unique constant function in the norm closed convex hull of the right orbit of  $h$  and the unique constant function in the norm closed convex hull of the left orbit of  $h$ ; in particular,  $H$  has a unique two-sided, left or right invariant mean.

A quick proof, part of the folklore, of this theorem is as follows. Let  $h \in H$  and let  $K_h$  be the norm (weakly) closed convex hull of the right orbit  $R(h)$  of  $h$ . Then  $K_h$  is weakly compact (Krein-Šmulian) and  $m(h)$  is in the pointwise closed convex hull of  $R(h)$  (see for example, [9, Theorem 1]). Since the pointwise topology is weaker than the weak topology, the pointwise and weak topologies coincide on  $K_h$  and therefore  $m(h)$  is in the norm closed convex hull of  $R(h)$ . The argument for  $L(h)$  is similar since  $L(h)$  is necessarily weakly relatively compact (for example, [3]). The uniqueness assertions are then obvious (see the proof of Theorem 1 below).

In this paper we obtain two theorems of the above type, one for tight invariant means on introverted subspaces of  $LUC(S)$  and one for compact-open continuous invariant means on compact-open introverted subspaces of  $LCC(S)$  (the compact-open analogue of  $LUC(S)$ ). The motivation for the proofs of these theorems was an alternative argument of the author (in the spirit of [3, pp. 10, 11]) for the theorem stated above under the additional assumption that  $H$  is introverted. The basic tool employed was a form of Day's fixed point theorem due to Argabright (see [17], [2]). For the proofs of our main theorems we employ two fixed point results of the latter type whose proofs are implicitly contained in the treatment of Section 4 in [10].

## 1. Definitions and notations

Throughout this paper a *topological semigroup* is a semigroup equipped with a Hausdorff topology for which multiplication is separately continuous. If  $S$  is a topological semigroup, then  $\mathbb{R}^S$  ( $m(S)$ ) denotes the space of all (bounded) real-valued functions on  $S$  and  $C(S)$  ( $BC(S)$ ) the space of all (bounded) continuous real-valued functions on  $S$ . If  $f \in \mathbb{R}^S$  and  $s \in S$ , then  $f_s, f^s$  denote the functions defined on  $S$  by

$f_s(a) = f(sa)$  and  $f^s(a) = f(as)$  for all  $a \in S$ . If  $f \in R^S$ , then  $R(f)$  denotes the *right orbit*  $\{f^s : s \in S\}$  of  $f$  and  $L(f)$  the *left orbit*  $\{f_s : s \in S\}$  of  $f$ . A linear subspace  $H$  of  $R^S$  is *invariant* if  $h_s \in H$  and  $h^s \in H$  for all  $h \in H$  and all  $s \in S$ . An invariant subspace  $H$  of  $m(S)$  is *left (right) introverted* if for every  $\psi \in H^*$  (the Banach dual of  $H$ ) and every  $h \in H$ ,  $\psi(h_s)$  ( $\psi(h^s)$ ) considered as a function of  $s$  lies in  $H$ . Similarly, an invariant subspace  $H$  of  $R^S$  is *left (right) compact-open introverted* if the latter condition holds where  $H^*$  is the dual space of  $H$  with  $H$  equipped with the compact-open topology (the topology of uniform convergence on compacta).

The space of *left uniformly continuous* functions on  $S$ , denoted  $LUC(S)$ , is the set of  $f$  in  $BC(S)$  such that the map  $s \rightarrow f_s$  is continuous where  $BC(S)$  has the sup norm. The space of *left compact-open continuous* functions on  $S$ , denoted  $LCC(S)$ , is the set of  $f$  in  $C(S)$  such that the map  $s \rightarrow f_s$  is continuous where  $C(S)$  has the compact-open topology. In a similar manner, one defines the space  $RUC(S)$  of *right uniformly continuous* functions on  $S$  and the space  $RCC(S)$  of *right compact-open continuous* functions on  $S$ .

Let  $H$  be an invariant subspace of  $R^S$  that contains the constant functions. A linear functional  $m$  on  $H$  is said to be a *mean* on  $H$  if  $m(h) \geq 0$  for all  $h \in H$  with  $h \geq 0$  and  $m(1) = 1$ .  $m$  is a *left (right) invariant mean* on  $H$  if  $m$  is a mean on  $H$  and  $m(h_s) = m(h)$  ( $m(h^s) = m(h)$ ) for all  $h \in H$  and all  $s \in S$ .  $m$  is *two-sided invariant* if  $m$  is both left and right invariant.

If  $K$  is a convex subset of a real locally convex Hausdorff space  $E$ , then  $E(K)$  denotes the set of restrictions of the real-valued continuous affine functions on  $E$  to  $K$ ; that is,  $E(K) = E^*|_K + \mathbb{R}$  and  $A(K)$  denotes the space of all real-valued continuous affine functions on  $K$ .  $BE(K)$  and  $BA(K)$  denote respectively the bounded functions in  $E(K)$  and  $A(K)$ . If  $S$  is a semigroup and  $K$  is a convex subset of  $E$  with

the relative topology, then an (*restricted*) *affine action* of  $S$  on  $K$  denoted  $(S, K)$ , is a map from  $S \times K$  into  $K$ ,  $(s, x) \rightarrow s \cdot x$ , such that

- (1)  $s_1 \cdot (s_2 \cdot x) = (s_1 s_2) \cdot x$  for all  $s_1, s_2 \in S$  and all  $x \in K$ ;
- (2) for each  $s \in S$ , the map  $x \rightarrow s \cdot x$  is a (restriction of a) continuous affine map of  $K(E)$  into  $K(E)$ .

If  $(S, K)$  is an affine action of  $S$  on  $K$  and  $x \in K$ , then

$Tx : A(K) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^S$  is the map defined by  $Txf(s) = f(s \cdot x)$  for all  $f \in A(K)$  and all  $s \in S$ .

## 2. Two fixed point results

The two lemmas below were stated in [10]. Lemma 1 is a slight generalization of a result of Khurana [13, Theorem 2.1]. We include a proof for the sake of completeness (see the proof of Theorem 2.2 in [13]).

**DEFINITION.** Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff topological space and  $H$  a linear space of bounded continuous real-valued functions on  $X$  that contains the constant functions. A mean  $\mu$  on  $H$  ( $\mu$  is linear,  $\mu(h) \geq 0$  for  $h \geq 0$  and  $\mu(1) = 1$ ) is said to be *tight* if for each uniformly bounded net  $\{h_\alpha\}$  in  $H$  with  $h_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  uniformly on compact subsets of  $X$ , we have  $\mu(h_\alpha) \rightarrow 0$ . A mean  $\mu$  on  $H$  is  $\sigma$ -*additive* if for each sequence  $\{h_n\} \subset H$  with  $h_n \rightarrow 0$ , we have  $\mu(h_n) \rightarrow 0$ .

**LEMMA 1.** Let  $K$  be a complete bounded convex subset of a locally convex Hausdorff space  $E$ . If  $\mu$  is a tight mean on  $E(K)$  (respectively  $BA(K)$ ), then there exists a unique  $x_0$  in  $K$  such that  $\mu(f) = f(x_0)$  for all  $f$  in  $E(K)$  (respectively  $BA(K)$ ).

**Proof.** Let  $\tilde{E}$  be the completion of  $E$  and equip  $\tilde{E}^*$  with the weak topology  $\sigma(\tilde{E}^*, \tilde{E})$ . Define the linear functional  $\hat{\mu} : \tilde{E}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $\hat{\mu}(g) = \mu(g|K)$  for all  $g \in \tilde{E}^*$ . We need only show that  $\hat{\mu}$  is  $\sigma(\tilde{E}^*, \tilde{E})$ -continuous. For then  $\hat{\mu}$  must be the evaluation functional at some  $x_0 \in \tilde{E}$  and since  $K$  is closed convex in  $\tilde{E}$  we must have  $x_0 \in K$ .  $x_0$  is unique since  $E(K)$  separates points. (If  $\mu$  is a tight mean on  $BA(K)$ , then  $\mu$  is the restriction of a finitely additive positive measure of total mass

one on  $K$  (Hahn-Banach) and therefore by [14, Theorem 1]  $\mu(f) = f(x_0)$  for  $f$  in  $BA(K)$  as well.)

In order to show that  $\hat{\mu}$  is  $\sigma(\tilde{E}^*, \tilde{E})$ -continuous it suffices by [12, p. 156] to verify that  $\hat{\mu}$  is continuous on every equicontinuous subset  $G$  of  $\tilde{E}^*$ . Let  $\{g_\alpha\}$  be a net in  $G$  and  $g \in G$  such that  $g_\alpha \rightarrow g$  pointwise on  $\tilde{E}$ . Since  $K$  is bounded and  $G$  is equicontinuous,  $\{g_\alpha\}$  is uniformly bounded on  $K$ . Since  $G$  is equicontinuous and  $g_\alpha \rightarrow g$  pointwise on  $\tilde{E}$ ,  $g_\alpha \rightarrow g$  uniformly on totally bounded sets [12, p. 76]. Since  $\mu$  is tight,  $\mu(g_\alpha|K) \rightarrow \mu(g|K)$ .

A slight modification of the proof of Lemma 1 yields

**LEMMA 2.** *Let  $K$  be a complete convex subset of a locally convex Hausdorff space  $E$ . If  $\mu$  is a mean on  $E(K)$  which is continuous when  $E(K)$  has the compact-open topology, then there exists a unique  $x_0$  in  $K$  such that  $\mu(f) = f(x_0)$  for all  $f$  in  $E(K)$ .*

The following definitions are adapted from Mitchell [17] and Argabright [2].

Let  $S$  be a topological semigroup and  $H$  a subset of  $C(S)$ . Let  $(S, K)$  be a (restricted) affine action of  $S$  on  $K$  where  $K$  is a convex subset with relative topology of a locally convex space  $E$ . The action  $(S, K)$  is an  $E$ -representation of  $S, H$  on  $K$  by (restricted) continuous affine maps if there is an  $x$  in  $K$  such that the map  $s \rightarrow s \cdot x$  is continuous and  $Tx(A(K)) \subset H$  ( $Tx(E(K)) \subset H$ ). The action  $(S, K)$  is a bounded  $E$ -representation of  $S, H$  on  $K$  by (restricted) continuous affine maps if there is an  $x$  in  $K$  such that  $s \rightarrow s \cdot x$  is continuous and  $Tx(BA(K)) \subset H$  ( $Tx(BE(K)) \subset H$ ). Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be a class of convex subsets of locally convex Hausdorff spaces. The pair  $S, H$  has the common fixed point property on the sets in  $\mathcal{K}$  with respect to  $E$ -representations by (restricted) affine maps, if for each  $K$  in  $\mathcal{K}$  and  $E$ -representation  $(S, K)$  of  $S, H$  by (restricted) continuous affine maps,  $K$  has a common fixed point for the action of  $S$ . The common fixed point property with respect to bounded  $E$ -representations is defined similarly.

**REMARK.** Note that if  $K$  is compact and  $x \in K$  with  $Tx(E(K)) \subset H$ ,

then necessarily  $s \rightarrow s \cdot x$  is continuous. Consequently, the above definition of an  $E$ -representation is consistent with that given by Argabright in [2].

The following two propositions are implicit in the proofs of Proposition 4.7 and "(1) implies (2)" of Proposition 4.13 in [10]. The technique of the proof appears throughout the literature (see, for example, [17], [2]). We include the proof since it is so short.

**PROPOSITION 1.** *Let  $S$  be a topological semigroup and  $H$  an invariant subspace of  $BC(S)$  that contains the constant functions. If  $H$  admits a tight left invariant mean, then  $S, H$  has the common fixed point property on complete bounded convex sets with respect to  $E$ -representations by restricted affine maps and on complete bounded convex sets with respect to bounded  $E$ -representation by affine maps.*

*Proof.* Let  $(S, K)$  be an  $E$ -representation of  $S, H$  by restricted continuous affine maps on the complete bounded convex set  $K$ . Let  $x \in K$  be such that  $s \rightarrow s \cdot x$  is continuous and  $Tx(E(K)) \subset H$ . If  $Tx^* : H^* \rightarrow E(K)^*$  is the adjoint of  $Tx$  and  $m$  is a tight left invariant mean on  $H$ , then  $Tx^*m$  is a tight mean on  $E(K)$  which is invariant under the action of  $S$  on  $K$ . Consequently, by Lemma 1, there is an  $x_0$  in  $K$  such that  $f(s \cdot x_0) = f(x_0)$  for all  $f \in E(K)$  and all  $s \in S$ . Since  $E(K)$  separates points,  $s \cdot x_0 = x_0$  for all  $s \in S$ . The argument is similar for bounded  $E$ -representations by continuous affine maps.

Applying in the above proof Lemma 2 in place of Lemma 1, we obtain

**PROPOSITION 2.** *Let  $S$  be a topological semigroup and  $H$  an invariant subspace of  $C(S)$  that contains the constant functions. If  $H$  admits a compact-open continuous left invariant mean, then  $S, H$  has the common fixed point property on complete convex sets with respect to  $E$ -representations by restricted affine maps.*

**REMARK.** We note that if in Proposition 2,  $S$  is realcompact and for every  $f \in C(S)$  with  $f \geq 0$  there exists  $h \in H$  such that  $f \leq h$ , then every mean on  $H$  is compact-open continuous. For every mean on  $H$  has an extension to a mean on  $C(S)$  [18, p. 82] and every mean on  $C(S)$  is necessarily compact-open continuous [6, Theorem 5.3].

### 3. The main theorems

We now apply Propositions 1 and 2 to obtain our main results. The proof of the following theorem is an adaptation of the proof of Lemma 5.1 in [4] to our present setting (cf. also [3, pp. 10, 11]).

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $S$  be a topological semigroup and  $H$  a uniformly closed invariant subspace of  $LUC(S)$  (respectively  $RUC(S)$ ) that contains the constant functions and is left (respectively right) introverted. If  $H$  admits a tight two-sided invariant mean  $m$ , then for each  $h \in H$ ,  $m(h)$  is the unique constant function in the norm closed convex hull of  $L(h)$  (respectively  $R(h)$ ); in particular,  $H$  has a unique left (respectively right) invariant mean.*

*Proof.* We assume  $H$  is right introverted and  $H \subset RUC(S)$ . The proof for  $H$  left introverted with  $H \subset LUC(S)$  follows then by considering the multiplication  $s_1 \circ s_2 = s_2 s_1$  on  $S$ . If for every  $h$  in  $H$  the norm closed convex hull  $K_h$  of  $R(h)$  in  $H$  contains the constant function  $m(h)$ , then necessarily  $H$  has a unique right invariant mean. For if  $\nu$  is a right invariant mean on  $H$ , then by linearity and continuity of  $\nu$  we must have  $\nu(m(h)) = \nu(h)$ ; that is,  $m(h) = \nu(h)$ . We show, in fact, that  $m(h)$  is the unique function  $g$  in  $K_h$  such that  $g = g^s$  for all  $s \in S$ .

Fix  $h \in H$  and let  $(S, K_h)$  denote the left action of  $S$  on  $K_h$  defined by  $s \cdot f = f^s$  for all  $s \in S$  and all  $f \in K_h$ . Then  $(S, K_h)$  is a restricted affine action of  $S$  on  $K_h$  (for fixed  $s \in S$ , the map  $f \rightarrow f^s$  on  $H$  is linear and norm continuous). Now let  $f \in K_h$  and consider the map  $Tf : E(K_h) \rightarrow m(S)$ . Since  $f \in RUC(S)$ , the map  $s \rightarrow f^s$  is continuous and since  $H$  is right introverted with  $1 \in H$ , we have  $Tf(E(K_h)) \subset H$ . Thus,  $(S, K_h)$  is an  $E$ -representation of  $S, H$  by restricted continuous affine maps on  $K_h$  - a complete norm bounded convex subset of  $H$ . Since  $H$  admits a tight left invariant mean, the action  $(S, K_h)$  has a common fixed point by Proposition 1; that is, there is a

$g \in K_h$  such that  $g = g^s$  for all  $s \in S$ .

Since  $K_h$  is the norm closed convex hull of  $R(h)$ , for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a convex combination  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i h^{s_i}$  such that

$$\left\| g - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i h^{s_i} \right\| \leq \epsilon. \text{ If we fix } x \in S \text{ and } \epsilon > 0, \text{ then}$$

$$\left| g(x) - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i h^{s_i}(xs) \right| \leq \epsilon \text{ for all } s \in S; \text{ that is,}$$

$$\left| g(x) - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (h_x)^{s_i} \right| \leq \epsilon. \text{ If we apply } m \text{ to the last inequality, we}$$

have  $\left| g(x) - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i m(h) \right| \leq \epsilon$ ; that is,  $|g(x) - m(h)| \leq \epsilon$ . Consequently,  $m(h) = g(x)$  for all  $x \in S$ .

REMARKS. The above proof shows that in place of requiring  $H \subset LUC(S)$  ( $RUC(S)$ ) it is sufficient to assume that the norm closed convex hull of  $L(h)$  ( $R(h)$ ) meets  $LUC(S)$  ( $RUC(S)$ ) for every  $h$  in  $H$ . Also, the theorem is valid if  $H$  admits a tight right (left) invariant mean and a left (right) invariant mean where  $m$  is taken to be a two-sided invariant mean (necessarily unique) on  $H$ . (Since  $H$  is either left or right introverted, if  $H$  has a left invariant mean and a right invariant mean, then  $H$  has a two-sided invariant mean.) Under the additional assumption that  $S$  has a right (left) identity it follows from the first part of the proof (see Theorem 2) that if  $H$  admits a tight right (left) invariant mean, then the norm closed convex hull of  $L(h)$  ( $R(h)$ ) contains a constant function for each  $h$  in  $H$ .

It is of interest to note here a result of Granirer and Lau. In [9] it is shown that if  $LUC(S)$  has a left invariant mean  $m$ , then for each  $h \in H$ ,  $m(h)$  is in the compact-open closed convex hull of  $R(h)$ . Consequently, if  $LUC(S)$  admits a compact-open continuous right invariant mean and a left invariant mean, then  $LUC(S)$  has a unique compact-open continuous right invariant mean.

COROLLARY. *Let  $S$  be a semigroup. If  $m(S)$  admits a  $\sigma$ -additive right (respectively left) invariant mean and a left (respectively right)*



*invariant mean, then  $m(S)$  has a unique left (respectively right) invariant mean.*

**Proof.** If we equip  $S$  with the discrete topology, then  $LUC(S) = RUC(S) = m(S)$ . If  $S$  is countable, then every  $\sigma$ -additive mean on  $m(S)$  is tight (for example, [11, p. 40]) and therefore Theorem 1 applies (see the above remarks). For general  $S$  a result of Granirer can be used. Namely, if  $m(S)$  has a  $\sigma$ -additive left invariant mean, then  $S$  contains a finite group which is a left ideal [7, Theorem 4.2]. Thus, every affine action of  $S$  on a convex subset of a vector space has a common fixed point. The proof of Theorem 1 then remains valid for  $S$ .

**REMARK.** If in the corollary  $S$  has left (right) cancellation, then  $S$  is a finite group [8, Corollary 2.1].

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $S$  be a topological semigroup with right (respectively left) identity  $e$  such that  $C(S)$  is complete in the compact-open topology (in particular,  $S$  a completely regular  $k$ -space). Let  $H$  be a compact-open closed invariant subspace of  $LCC(S)$  (respectively  $RCC(S)$ ) that contains the constant functions and is left (respectively right) compact-open introverted. If  $H$  admits a compact-open continuous two-sided invariant mean  $m$ , then for each  $h \in H$ ,  $m(h)$  is the unique constant function in the compact-open closed convex hull of  $L(h)$  (respectively  $R(h)$ ); in particular,  $H$  has a unique compact-open continuous left (respectively right) invariant mean.*

**Proof.** By applying Lemma 2 in place of Lemma 1, it follows exactly as in the proof of Theorem 1 that for each  $h \in H$ , there is a  $g \in K_h$  (the compact-open closed convex hull of  $R(h)$ ) with  $g = g^s$  for all  $s \in S$ . Consequently,  $g(e) = g(e \cdot s) = g(s)$  for all  $s \in S$ . It follows then  $m(h) = g$  and  $m$  is the unique compact-open continuous right invariant mean on  $H$ .

**REMARKS.** There exist spaces  $S$  for which  $C(S)$  is compact-open complete but  $S$  is not a  $k$ -space [19, p. 363]. Again, it is enough to assume that the compact-open closed convex hull of  $L(h)$  ( $R(h)$ ) meets  $LCC(S)$  ( $RCC(S)$ ) for every  $h$  in  $H$ . Of course, the argument shows that if  $H$  admits a compact-open continuous right (left) invariant mean, then the compact-open closed convex hull of  $L(h)$  ( $R(h)$ ) contains a constant

function for each  $h$  in  $H$ .

**COROLLARY.** *Let  $S$  be a realcompact topological semigroup with jointly continuous product, right (respectively left) identity  $e$  and  $C(S)$  complete in the compact-open topology. Let  $H$  be a compact-open closed invariant subspace of  $C(S)$  such that  $H$  contains the constants, is left (respectively right) compact-open introverted and satisfies: if  $f \in C(S)$  with  $f \geq 0$ , then there exists  $h \in H$  with  $f \leq h$ . If  $H$  admits a two-sided invariant mean  $m$ , then for each  $h \in H$ ,  $m(h)$  is the unique constant function in the compact-open closed convex hull of  $L(h)$  (respectively  $R(h)$ ); in particular  $H$  has a unique left (respectively right) invariant mean.*

**Proof.** Every mean on  $H$  is necessarily compact-open continuous (see the remark in Section 2). Since multiplication on  $S$  is jointly continuous,  $LCC(S) = RCC(S) = C(S)$  (for example, [15, Lemma 4.2]).

**REMARKS.** In the above corollary  $H$  can be taken to be  $C(S)$  since  $LCC(S) = RCC(S) = C(S)$  implies that  $C(S)$  is both left and right compact-open introverted. For the case  $H = C(S)$  Argabright in [1, Theorem 2.4] showed without an identity or completeness restriction that if  $C(S)$  admits a two-sided invariant mean, then  $C(S)$  has a unique left or right invariant mean.

We also note that the corollary is applicable to discrete semigroups  $S$  of non-measurable cardinal. For they are realcompact in the discrete topology [5, p. 163] and certainly  $R^S$  is compact-open complete.

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